

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 221 – HB 340

February 6, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends the termination date of the Board of Dispensing Opticians to June 30, 2021. Under the *Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law*, the board is scheduled to terminate June 30, 2015.

Requires each department, commission, board, agency, or council of state government created during calendar year 2019 to terminate on June 30, 2021. Specifies that any such governmental entity that is terminated may be continued, reestablished, or restructured.

Authorizes the Governor to appoint members to the board from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested optician groups, rather than from the Tennessee Dispensing Opticians Association exclusively.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent a governmental entity is not continued in the future, or the funding level is changed in the future for an entity that is continued, reestablished, or restructured, the fiscal impact is considered indeterminable because such impact(s) are dependent upon unknown factors. Otherwise, the fiscal impact for this bill is considered not significant.

Assumptions:

- One of the provisions of this bill continues the Board of Dispensing Opticians (BDO) at its current funding level. As a result, this provision will have no fiscal impact on state government.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-4-5117(a), all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two year period. The BDO had annual surpluses of \$90,886.49 in FY12-13 and \$76,606.16 in FY13-14 and a cumulative reserve balance of \$247,959.76 as of June 30, 2014.
- The fiscal impact relative to any governmental entity that will be terminated on June 30, 2021, under the provisions of this bill, is dependent upon whether any such terminated entity will be continued, reestablished, or restructured, and the funding level for which it is continued, reestablished, or restructured. To the extent an entity is not continued in the future or the funding level is changed in the future for an entity that is continued, reestablished or restructured, the fiscal impact to state government is indeterminable

because such impact(s) would be based on unknown factors. To the extent the terminated entities are continued, reestablished, or restructured at current funding levels, the fiscal impact to state government is estimated to be not significant.

- Expanding the groups that may submit candidates for the Board to the Governor will not significantly alter the workload of the Governor's Office when determining Board appointments. Any impact is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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